

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

"Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs"

Russ Guiney, Director

July 14, 2011,

Mr. John H. Hybarger Chairperson, Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission 500 West Temple Street, Room B-50 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. Hybarger:

Fish Request #2: Breeding & Raising Fish Fish & Game Code 13100 - 13103 (d)

The Los Angeles County, Department of Parks and Recreation, Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area (SFD) resides in the First Supervisorial District. SFD is responsible for managing the aquatic ecosystem of its 70 surface acre lake. This facility is open to the public for fishing seven (7) days a week. SFD's fishery is monitored/patrolled by the California Department of Fish and Game along with the County of Los Angeles Lake Lifeguard Division.

Santa Fe Dam's aquatic ecosystem is and has been ideal for its fish. The fish appear to be thriving; however, the watershed could benefit from fish plantings to increase the longevity of its fishery through the breeding of newly introduced fish. The summer months are ideal for breeding when the water temperature reaches 70 plus degrees.

Santa Fe Dam is requesting a one time stocking of 1,500 pounds of Channel Catfish to be delivered in April 2012. This one time stocking will reduce transportation cost and could allow for a volume discount.

As you are well aware, budget issues at the State level as well as cuts to our own County Departments have impacted the ability to sufficiently fund worthwhile programs like this.

Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please give me a call at (626) 334-1065.

Sincerely,

Chris Graham Superintendent

Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area